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Jewel Cunningham, director of Ontario Waterways for Parks Canada, answers questions from the large crowd at public forum regarding ongoing flooding at the Minden Hills Community Centre on April 29. Chad Ingram Staff

Show goes on

Dominion Hotel holds blues evening despite state of emergency

Tempers boil over at flood forum **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

Much of Minden may still be under water, but it was fiery inside the Minden Hills Community Centre on Monday night.

More than 200 residents packed the facility for

a public forum on the ongoing flooding of the community.

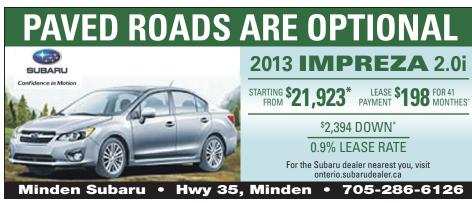
From the moment Reeve Barb Reid introduced Jewel Cunningham, director of Ontario Waterways for Parks Canada, attendees began yelling out frustrated comments and questions.

The TSW has been holding vast amounts of water in the reservoir lakes north of Minden in

an attempt to mitigate the severe flooding of the Gull River that began April 19.

Many Minden residents have been displaced, their streets impassable by vehicle. Some have been getting to and from their homes by boat. The downtown has been barri-

see TSW page 3





AH appoints airport committee members

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands councillors appointed Craig Worsfold, Jurrien Hoekstra and William Parish to the township's airport committee during their April 18 meeting.

The three – at least two of whom councillors confirmed were aviators – will join members Paul Robinson, Marlene Maxwell, Don Shortreed, Jaime Bilodeau, Norm Mills and councillors Marlene Kyle and Liz Danielsen.

After Robinson stepped down as chairman, Kyle and Danielsen have been co-chairing until a new chairperson is appointed by council.

The committee organizes events at the airport and according to its terms of reference, may also make recommendations to council regarding the maintenance and operation of the airport, as well as capital projects being planned for the airport property and marketing.

The township continues to seek a new airport manager after the former manager was dismissed in early December.

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AH appoints | Beware of flood related scams: OPP

With the recent floods in central Ontario and the state of emergency declarations, it has come to the attention of the OPP that some individuals may be attempting to fraudulently benefit from this situation.

Given these circumstances, the police are strongly urging anyone who may wish to support any fundraising initiatives to make sure to visit the websites of those communities that have been directly affected by flood waters. These websites will assist with identifying how

and where donations can be directed so they make it to their intended destination and not into the wrong hands.

For Minden Hills, donations should be made to: Township of Minden Hills 7 Milne St. P.O. Box 359 Minden, ON, K0M 2K0



High waters

Don Sloski sent us this photo of his place on Horseshoe Lake April 23. Water is being held back in the feeder lakes by the TSW to prevent the town of Minden from flooding further. /Submitted





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Fighting the flood

A reader brought in this photo of a home on Deep Bay Road fending off flood water. He asked that his name and location not be published. /Submitted





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TSW bears brunt of blame at meeting

from page 1

caded to traffic and will likely remain that way for some time.

"You're not an easy crowd to stand in front of," Cunningham told a sea of red, exasperated, angry faces. "I'll try to be honest and frank about what we've done to date."

Residents started yelling from the audience, with Reid moving in, asking for respect while Cunningham said her piece.

Cunningham said it was a "rain event" during April 18 and 19, timed with the spring thaw that had created the situation.

"It was a circumstance that was very unique," she said.

The worst part of the storm hit the Kennisis Lake area, dumping some 75 mm of rain in a 24-hour period.

Residents started yelling that the spring had not been exceptional in any way.

One woman became so emotional she stormed out of the building.

Cunningham said the TSW has received complaints about how long the process is taking, but explained that accelerating the water flow could cause more damage.

"It is going to take some time for water to leave the system," she said.

According to Cunningham and Dave Ness, water control engineer for the TSW, it could take up to two weeks to see significant change.

"It's going to be a long, drawn-out peak," Ness told the room, adding the two-week period came with the caveat of no more surprises from Mother Nature.

There have been rumours in the community the TSW was keeping water levels on certain lakes higher than usual this winter, in an attempt to better deal with dry conditions in late summer.

According to Cunningham, "we were still, before the rain event, no higher than years past. We've had studies tell us we need to start filling earlier, but that has not been a factor at this point."

Tom Prentice Jr. wanted to know why local lakes that were not part of the TSW, South Lake, for example, were not flooded.

"I don't have a perfectly clear explanation for you," Ness said.

One woman asked Cunningham if the TSW was going to take public responsibility for the flooding.

"No, we are not," she said. "It's not in our ability to mitigate flooding."

Attendees expressed discontent at the lack of communication between the TSW and the public.

"We had no warning," said one man who'd evacuated his home. "Probably about two hours to get out."

Cunningham said the situation had arisen very quickly.

One man yelled out that if the water was so difficult to control, how was it in August the TSW was able to drop levels by five or six feet within days.

"Answer the question!" another exclaimed.

"Because you never see flows like that in August, ever," Ness said.

"We're feeding the Trent [canal] so all the



Chad Ingram Staff

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid and MP Barry Devolin look on as Minden residents pound Jewel Cunningham of Parks Canada with questions during a public forum at the Minden Hills Community Centre on April 29. The community centre ran out of chairs

rich people can take their boats through the Trent," said one woman.

Another attendee asked if the situation stemmed from the dozens of layoffs that happened at Parks Canada and the TSW as part of the last federal budget.

"I can say, unequivocally, the situation was not related," Cunningham responded.

One woman told Cunningham she'd lived on the river for 65 years.

"It hasn't changed," she said. "Why can't you get it together? I've lived on the river all my life."

Minden Hills chief administrative officer Nancy Wright-Laking fielded questions about local fundraising for the private component of the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program.

It offers up to 90 per cent coverage of destruction of essential property for primary residences and the province will match funds raised by the township up to a ratio of two to one.

A full story on the program can be found

When the township makes its application to the program, it must provide a preliminary estimate of damages and Wright-Laking said it was important for flood victims to give the township a good idea of the damage to their properties.

"It's been difficult for us to assess... because we really can't get down the roads," she said.

"It's not our fault, it's theirs!" one man yelled.

"I'm going to sue!" yelled another.

One resident told Wright-Laking he was not able to do his income tax, since his documents were in his home, which he couldn't access.

Wright-Laking said she'd contact Reve-

nue Canada

"I can't guarantee I'll be very effective, but I'll do that for you," she said.

MP Barry Devolin was also in attendance.

Devolin has been under scrutiny in the community for taking a week to come to Minden after Reid declared a state of emergency on April 20.

Devolin said he'll be looking into exceptions for residents with Revenue Canada and added that the Haliburton County Development Corporation, which is funded by the federal government, has developed a specialized loan program for businesses affected by the flood that will offer zero-interest loans of up to \$25,000 for five years.

Devolin said he was also looking into how downtown businesses might be compensated for lost revenue.

The MP acknowledged the communication between the federal government and its agencies and the public has been poor.

"The communication to this point hasn't been great and I'm part of that, too," Devolin said. "So, I'm not pointing my fingers at others"

Prentice told Devolin he needed to stop telling people the flood was due to rain and that it was obvious there was some degree of human error.

"Those questions are being asked and we need answers," Devolin said. "Absolutely, there needs to be an investigation into how the system works."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve and County Warden Carol Moffatt has confirmed there will be a meeting between the county's four reeves, Devolin and MPP Laurie Scott to investigate the situation.

A number of attendees expressed dis-

pleasure that community members had to fundraise to help themselves in the wake of what they consider a government screwup.

up.
"Where are we going to get that kind of money?" one man asked. "People here have never had it in the first place."

One woman told Devolin the situation was shameful.

"Somebody has to take responsibility," she said. "You're asking people who've lost their houses... they have nothing and you're asking them to fundraise."

She lamented there was talk of risk, but no talk of risk management, and no flood planning for Minden, something which she suggested should perhaps even be taught in the local school.

Reid, who'd requested from the province and was denied an extension on the township's May 9 application deadline for the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Plan, told Devolin the township is going to need more assistance from the federal government.

"We are going to be needing your help in speaking to the government in getting something over and above [what's being offered]," Reid said.

The reeve said residents couldn't wait eight months or a year to get money from ODRAP

"That's what keeps me up at night," she said. "It's not going to meet our needs in the here and now."

Scott was not at Monday's meeting, but did tour Minden and area last Wednesday.

Barbara Walford-Davis of the Minden Food Bank said the food bank – located near Rx Pharmacy on Bobcaygeon Road – is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. offering food, blankets, clothing and other items.

Bobcaygeon Rd. Bridge closed indefinitely

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The bridge on Bobcaygeon Road in downtown Minden will remain closed for some time.

"The bridge closure is unfortunately going to be in place for the foreseeable future," Reeve Barb Reid told the Times on the moming of April 29. "It also means the barrier at Newcastle Street has to stay."

Bobcaygeon Road from Newcastle Street

to Deep Bay Road has been blocked with wooden barriers since last week.

Traffic has also been prohibited on most parts of Water Street. Reid said residents will likely see more permanent barricades going up around the bridge and that engineers would be brought in to assess its structural integrity. Water Street will also be assessed.

"We're not sure of the condition of the road bed," Reid said, adding she felt badly for downtown businesses. "Public safety has to come first."

Reid had asked for an extension on the time



Chad Ingram Staff

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid says it's unclear how long the bridge spanning the Gull River on Bobcaygeon Road will remain closed. The township intends to have the bridge inspected once water levels are down and Reid said more permanent barricades would likely be moved into place.

period for Minden Hills's application to the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program.

It has until until May 9 to submit, however, with many areas of Minden still severely flooded, it's difficult for the township to make an accurate assessment.

The application must include a preliminary estimate of total damages.

While her initial request was denied by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Reid said the township is working on a formal request for an extension.

The reeve wished to remind seasonal residents that unfortunately secondary residences do not qualify for relief funding under the provincial program, but that seasonal residents are able to take advantage of waived landfill and building permit fees for flood victims. The township is also providing cleanup kits for flood victims.

Residents on wells are encouraged to have their water tested before drinking.



Form 6 Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

The Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on June 5, 2013, at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands Ontario KOM 1.11.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands.

Description of Lands:

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Roll No. 46 21 002 000 53500 0000; PIN 39131-0155(LT); Part Lot 24 Concession 5 Stanhope designated Part 11 Plan RD154 T/W H87241; Algonquin Highlands; File No. 11-03

Minimum Tender Amount: \$12,640.15

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Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount

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Applications will be accepted immediately and treated as high-priority with the goal to provide assistance as quickly as possible.

In cases where a business demonstrates a need for financing beyond the limits of this program, HCDC will consider applications on a case-by-case basis. HCDC is also aware that our Municipalities are reviewing the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program, and the organization will consider the development of additional programs in partnership with the Municipality of Minden Hills and other relief programs.

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Minden stores see surge in flood supply sales

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

While residents of Minden Hills are trying to stay dry, the events of the past few days have seen certain items fly off the shelves of local stores.

With streets in downtown Minden covered with water, and lake levels throughout the county on the rise, stores like Home Hardware are seeing supplies sell at an unusually fast pace.

"Just the unusual items," said Jodi Paterson, owner of Minden Home Hardware. "We've sold a ton of sump pumps and I sent [sales] people out all over the province to pick more up on Monday."

The store received another load of chest waders on Wednesday, April 24 as well as rubber boots. Home Hardware also received half a truckload of sandbags in on April 23, after selling every bag they had on Sunday,

"We've even had staff volunteer to bag sand and I've dropped off cases of water to the volunteers," said Paterson.

The owner said they are stocking up supplies for cottagers who might travel up on the weekend and are extending their hours of operation on Friday.

"We're just doing our part and trying to stay on top of supplies," she said.

The store is offering rental equipment free of charge for items to help assist with flooding, said Paterson.

Survival items such as batteries, flashlights and bottled water are also in demand,

"I have seen some candles go out, I guess



Chad Ingram Staff

On April 24 Sue Ripley, who lives near the Prince and St. Germaine intersection in Minden, was buying a floating flashlight and other supplies for the flood in Minden at Home Hardware. Stores have seen certain sales spike as a result of the disaster.

in anticipation of losing hydro."

People have also been inquiring about generators, said Paterson.

Certain items are also in demand at Minden Hills Rent All, according to owner

The business has sold pairs of rain boots over the past few days and has been renting out flood-related equipment.

"Our electric pumps are all out," said

Brinklow, adding they have six in stock and it is uncommon to have them rented all at

The owner assumes they are being used to pump out the water from people's homes.

Devolin calls for flood management after Minden visit

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin believes there needs to be a flood management strategy put in place so that a flood like the one still ongoing in Minden doesn't happen again.

"People in Minden are scared, frustrated and angry," said Devolin in a release issued by his office. "And they are demanding answers and action from their political representatives - including me."

Flooding in Minden began on Friday, April 19, with Reeve Barb Reid declaring a state of emergency the following day.

"What has happened is the direct result of a weather event," Devolin told the paper on Wednesday, April 24.

Given the staff cuts at the Trent Severn Waterway - a series of positions were affected - that were carried out as part of the federal budget, the Times asked Devolin if he thought there was any corrlelation between the decreased staff and the flooding.

"The fact there's flooding in Bancroft, in Minden, in Hunstville, in Bracebridge suggests this is obviously a regional phenomenon." Devolin said. "There are places where no there's no Trent Severn, that they're flooding too. I believe the Trent Severn staff have done a great job in an incredibly difficult situ-

Bracebridge lifted its state of emergency on Monday. Devolin visited the county during the weekend, meeting with officials including Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid and County Warden Carol Moffatt.

"In my opinion, all levels of government must come together to say 'two weeks underwater is not acceptable' and tackle the challenge 'what can we learn from this experience, so we're better prepared next time?" the MP said in his release.

The release went on to say that Devolin acknowledged the immediate priority is to manage the current crisis, then help residents and businesses get back on their feet. He pledged to do whatever he can to help Reid, Moffatt and local MPP Laurie Scott in the coming days and weeks.



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How to help

Chad Ingram

Reporter

Γ'S HUMAN NATURE. As soon as news of the Minden I flood spread, people began wondering how they could help.

As early as last Monday, the paper was receiving phone calls, emails and Facebook inquiries from area residents and cottagers wondering where they could donate money to help the victims of the ongoing flooding in Minden.
My stock response: "I don't know.

Contact the township."

It's not because I was being rude.

It was because I didn't know.

With the local school closed and residents trying to make sure everyone was accounted for and fed with a roof over their heads, the community was still in crisis mode.

For those living the situation, recovery was something for later.

We even had a rude and angry comment on the paper's website last Wednesday, calling our coverage of the unfolding crisis disappointing since the Times had failed to mention how "we cottagers down south" could help.

Yes, Steve K, I'm talking about you. The reason, of course, the *Times* hadn't provided such information was that it was not yet available.

It was only at last Thursday's Minden Hills council meeting where the local media learned, along with township council, how the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program works.

The township established a trust fund later that day. So, Steve K, time to whip out your

cheque book, buddy.

The simplest and preferred method of donating to Minden flood relief is to give money, through cash or cheque, directly to the township.

Send donations to: Township of Minden Hills 7 Milne St. P.O. Box 359 Minden, ON

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There have been a number of citizen fundraising groups established

on social media and otherwise as residents try to help. However, they may be creating confusion – a series of

unnecessary middlemen. It is the recommendation of the province that donations go

directly to the municipality. There are already a number of scam artists at work trying

to capitalize off of tragedy. That said, a number of local businesses and associations are undertaking fundraising

campaigns and surely people know better than to give money to anyone they don't know or trust.

Eventually, a disaster relief committee appointed by council will look after fun-

In the meantime, a fundraising meeting has been organized by four prominent community members for the Minden Legion next Monday and Minden Hills CAO Nancy Wright-Laking has told the Times that the meeting might be a beneficial start.

For every dollar Minden Hills raises, the province will donate up to double.

Rebuilding the community is going to be a long, arduous and at times, painful process.

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letters to the editor

Where's Devolin?

To the Editor,

While watching the VR news Tony Clement was on assuring Huntsville there would be financial help from the federal Conserva-

As of April 26 I haven't heard Barry Devolin's name mentioned. Laurie Scott was in Minden and is offering help from the Ontario government.

If the federal government can give \$10

million to China for the rental of two panda bears, \$250 million to help fight polio or if it was some foreign country with a disaster the money would be flowing out to that country within minutes. Why can't they help Min-

My heart goes out to everyone in Minden who is involved with this tragedy.

> **Helen Burk** Lochlin

Online comment of the week

Lack of info disturbing

As a seasonal resident of Horseshoe Lake, I can't believe how little information there is out there. I know my boathouse is flooded. I want to clean up. I want to support local businesses. Tell me if the water is still going up or coming down. There is not much to clean up until the water is down.

As a seasonal resident, we pay taxes. But will get the shaft when it comes to any relief money. I understand permanent residents are most

affected and should come first. No issue here. But when my lake was intentionally flooded to save Minden as was stated in many papers and by the TSW, I think I should be entitled to something. At least give us information on water levels. Someone, please.

A distraught seasonal resident.

Ioin the conversation at mindentimes.ca

points of view

The fountain of youth

SUPPOSE IT'S NOT a question of if I am going to look old; it's only a matter of when.

That's the conclusion I came to after reading an article entitled Foods that make you look older. It said that sugar, salt, candy, coffee, transfat, artificial sweetener, alcohol, energy drinks, fried food, soda and carbohydrates all had an aging effect on those of us who con-

Great, they've essentially described my diet. Worse still, it's got to be true because I have met several infants who looked young and hardly touched

The question now is, what am I going to do about it?

I've given this a lot of thought over the last minute or so and have decided it's time to make a concerted effort to look younger. I'm getting to that age where the crow's feet are turning into

turkey's feet.

Looking more youthful won't be easy though.

First, I need to find a hacker who can get into government files and electronically add 30 years to my age. Then, when people ask me how old I am, Î'll take a sip of my coffee and say 81.

They will look at me in shock and answer with, "Wow, you look great for your age!'

I'll nod and finish that pile of chicken wings and dig right into the pie.

Problem solved.

Admittedly, a lot of people might do things differently. Some might actually evaluate their diet and determine what they can cut out.

For instance, I never consume sweetener, energy drinks and soda, so that's easy. And I only consume alco-

hol on special occasions or when I'm thinking about special occasions - does anyone know when Valentine's Day is coming up, by the way? - so I can probably reduce that substantially.

As for transfats and carbohydrates, well, I don't even know what they are so I figure that my ignorance will knock off a few years there. And I could

easily give up candy and fried food too. Nor do I see any problem with reducing my salt intake.

every morning. But the truth is, I used to drink my coffee black and didn't mind it. So I could reduce my sugar.

You know, I think I can do it. I think I can modify my diet so that I will actually appear younger than my age. Sure, it's a lot of work but it is well worth it.

I mean we live in a youth-oriented society and if you don't look youthful you will quickly be swept aside or at least dismissed as less relevant. And no one wants that.

I don't imagine the changes will come too quickly. It might be a while before people remark about how wellpreserved I am. But I'm guessing you might see the first signs next week - on my 81st birthday.

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Playing the blame game

Steve Galea

Beyond 35

EDAZZLED AND mellowed by the bright sunshine of a Saturday afternoon, in its emptiness Minden's main street might be a painting of village tranquility.

Blue sky hovers over a road surface unblemished by time that draws a black line through a streetscape hiding the truth in the distance. There are no cars to spoil the picture.

The hidden truth is a river turned into a vast pond by risen waters that have been there so long by now that the little Venice of islanded houses seems almost normal.

Except for an occasional amphibious pickup truck, it might be a still life, of life on hold until the water goes away, waiting while the dams upstream ration the flow.

Surely there must be somebody to blame. Somebody must have miscalculated. If only somebody had got it right, all of that Gull River water would be in Lake Ontario by now, or at least in the Trent Canal.

It is always comforting to believe that our misfortunes are the result of somebody else's mistake, a comfort too for politicians and lawyers whose work now will be finding somebody else to blame.

Managing the Gull River system is 24 hours a day of risk assessment, walking a tightrope over an inferno of public opinion.

A letter-writer demands that our MP, Barry Devolin, lead some kind of crusade to punish somebody, anybody, for what

went wrong, to get at the truth of things, as though he wasn't part of the problem.

The truth is that if anybody is to blame, it is Devolin's government, and governments that came before it, governments that decided the Trent-Severn Waterway could be run on a shoestring, a shoestring now stretched so thin it finally

Dwindled staffing. Management from afar, by remote control, by computer. Hoping for the best. Middle management keeping dams past their best-before date from bursting.

And so we blame somebody - we're not sure exactly who - with no understanding that the best we can do in managing natural forces is make calculated guesses, make best guesses based on incomplete information, make best guesses without knowing what will happen next.

Let the blame games begin. The most popular second guess is that the water managers should not have kept our lakes so full, though they were pilloried last summer for not having kept them full

enough.

This year they should have paid more attention to the weather forecasts, turned

loose the water they had been saving to keep our lakes from drying up in

Weather forecasts? Yet another guessing game, full of imperfect calculations, always preparing us for the worst. Each January has days where school buses sit idle, wait in the sunshine for a blizzard that never comes.

Scientists for competing weather services, all trained

in the same discipline, arrive at radically different outlooks. Who do you believe?

Anybody who makes maple syrup depends on temperatures. We know that forecasts twist and turn and spiral out of control as the forecast day draws near. Best-case scenarios fade into disappointment. The forecast day that should have produced no sap at all becomes a reality that gushes with it.

Up and down the line, folks trying to manage the natural world make their best guesses. Nature is not so easily manipulated.

So folks left to wonder whether their houses are history, to wonder who will

salvage their lives for them, decide the rising tide must all be some big mistake made by somebody somewhere.

Cottagers unable to navigate a washedout April road to check their docks rage at the consequences of storing so much water to keep their summer dreams afloat.

And all of them, all of us in Haliburton County, deny some simple truths:

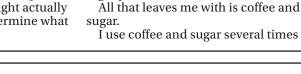
No matter now perfect the calculations, there will always be floods in a village that grew from a low point in a river valley, as did Minden, as did so many villages born in 19th century Ontario.

The whole Gull system that exists now is artificial, its lakes giant holding ponds for the Trent Canal and the summer life on Haliburton's lakes a mere unintended consequence of that mission.

Without the holding ponds, Haliburton would be as empty as the rocky uplands in the counties to the east of us. Without the Trent's dams, floods would be a regular part of village life.

Miscalculations are inevitable. Learn from them, but don't play the blame game. Save your energy to fix what is broken.

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Neil Campbell Back of Beyond

point of view

Peace is flowing like a river

Cynthia Mitchell

Special to the Times

This is the first in a series of perspectives from one Minden resident displaced by flooding.

As I sit in my parents' home and my mother's beautiful art studio I reflect on the happenings in Minden and all that has happened to me, to my neighbours, to my community, and all of the conversations that I have had involving and revolving around the flood waters that surround my home and my community.

Like so many others, on Sunday I evacuated my home on Invergordon Avenue, and like so many others have watched the river waters rise and fall and rise again around my home, my neighbourhood, and my community. Like so many others I count my blessings that my situation is not as bad as the people down the road from me who have been under water since Friday, and I experience a sense of guilt and gratitude every day when I paddle along my road to my home to discover that my basement is still dry and my sump pump is keeping my house safe. I wish I could say the same for my wonderful neighbours with whom I am sharing this pivotal and life changing experience.

It is precisely that life changing experience I will write about in this and subsequent pieces. As things seem to work in my mind, odd thoughts appear out of nowhere, and this morning, after shedding tears listening to the woman on the radio talk of the stress the evacuees must be feeling because their home and place of refuge is under water, the song from my childhood church days sang, "Peace is flowing like a river, flowing out of you and me, flowing out into the desert, setting all the captives free." Using those four lines I will write four pieces about this experience.

All of us are wondering why. All of us are wondering how. All of us are wondering what next. All of us are wondering who is responsible. And all of us have been given an opportunity to find great strength and change in this difficult and challenging situation. In a conversation with

my neighbours we discussed lightly and heatedly our frustrations, our speculations, our concerns, and our wonders; all of which left us spinning in a place of unknown waters. Within that conversation came the questions: what are we going to do? How can we make change? And I have decided that as writer, it is here that I will start the process.

I see this tragedy as a means of creating great change and that Minden has the opportunity to lead the way to new and better things because we are great and caring people. That said, we also have to honour the fact that we are hurting. Floods pull things up and flush them away. The longer this flood lasts, more pain will surface and more help will be needed, especially for the victims of the flood, to help flush this pain away. We are all experiencing the pulling of things and frustrations and resentments that are ages old and deep into the recesses of our minds that we have buried.

I am experiencing that very thing on many levels: you "suck it up," count your blessings, keep feelings and emotions in check, and get on with it because you have responsibilities. You just have to put it out of your head and be strong. Well I am strong, but I cannot put it out of my head and the speed with which this experience dropped me into a depressive state caught me off guard. It was difficult to admit that I needed help. It was very difficult to cry publicly and lose emotional control. It was extremely difficult to admit that I couldn't continue at work; that I had to get a doctor's note and admit that I was depressed. And I am fortunate enough to have a job where I can get the time off and that mental health services are available to me. I am fortunate to have parents living in the area with a place for my children and I to stay. I am fortunate that my basement is holding steady despite the fact that the only way to access it is to canoe along Invergordon. For me to admit that I need time off work, that I need mental health assistance, that I am not strong enough to cope with this alone are just a few of the many fearful areas that those of us directly impacted by this flood have to face.

In all of this so many different levels of our societal structures and beliefs will come into question: How do we deal with feelings that the powers that be "withhold information" – that politicians and leaders cannot tell it to us straight for fear of litigation? How do we cope with the frustration that the information received is so ambiguous and "cover-your-backside like" that no one really knows anything? That there is so much bureaucratic red tape that nothing will get done in an expedient manner? That our town councillors, even though they want to show compassion and offer true financial assistance can't, because the paperwork process is a flood unto itself? And our children? How can we help them through the stress they are experiencing and give them the tools to find their own peace as the very place they call home is surrounded by water?

As we move through this it is my dream that true compassionate leadership will emerge. That people who have the power to change financial compensation, like government and insurance companies will make it happen and cut the red tape that has us tied in knots. Sadly, I do not hang my hopes of change there.

Instead I hope that as a community we find acceptance, set aside blame, make change, find learning and peace. We are all good people; good people who are living in a world of fear. Together we will help each other, support each other and ourselves through this extremely difficult experience. Together we will find beautiful opportunities that this experience will bring, including embracing the tears, angers and frustrations. It is time for all of those emotions that are surfacing as a symptom of this flood, all of the things, if we are to be brutally honest, that have bothered us for years, to surface, to be expressed, and to be washed away as the waters recede so that we can replace our inner homes with a foundation and structure that is more to our joy versus our prison.

Some of us will have to go further than others. Some of us will have to lead the way. All of us will have to find what we want to change and change it. We can make the world watch and we can be the model that leads the way. Let us do so with compassion. Let us show the world how we wash away our pain and rebuild with love and community versus anger and resentment so that we can return to our peace that flows like a river.

Flooding damages whitewater course

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The flooding of the Gull River has damaged infrastructure at the Minden Wild Water Preserve.

"The huge flow through the dam and Horseshoe Lake has caused significant damage to the infrastructure of the whitewater course at the Minden Wild Water Preserve," preserve site manager Russ Duhaime wrote in email to the paper. A vital wall at the top of the course has been toppled.

The engineered course, created in 1972, is the property of Parks Canada and the Ministry of Natural Resources.

It is scheduled to be the venue for the whitewater events at the Toronto 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Games.

According to Duhaime, a wall of large concrete blocks that used to extend from bank to bank and served to funnel water onto the side of the main channel, has been ruined.

The course is located just below the dam at Horseshoe

Lake, where the Trent Severn Waterway has been holding back large amounts of water in order to prevent further flooding of Minden.

On Monday, some logs had been removed from the dam, and torrents of water were gushing into the river.

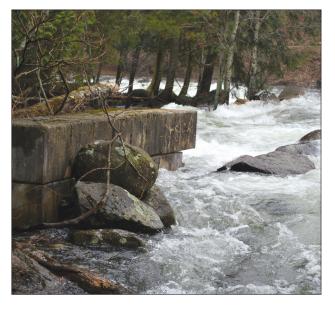
"Now that the wall has toppled, the river splits into two channels around the island," Duhaime wrote. "You can clearly see this from the top of the dam. The fear is once the water recedes, the flow will split, and neither channel will have enough water to be useful."

Duhaime was hoping disaster relief funding might be able to help pay for repairs.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid was aware of the damage, and said the Pan Am organization would be sending a consultant to assess the damage.

Chad Ingram Staff

Flooding of the Gull River has damaged infrastructure at the Minden Wild Water Preserve, its manager says. The preserve is to be used for whitewater events at the 2015 Toronto Pan Am/Parapan Games.



Under water

Photos by Chad Ingram



There was no one playing in Elvin Johnson Park.





This was the scene on Old Mill Road on April 28.

Left, the boat launch and causeway near the island on Halls Lake were submerged on the morning of April 28. Water is being held in reservoir lakes by the Trent Severn Waterway in an attempt to alleviate flooding in Minden.

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Damage from flood not covered by insurance

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

Those affected by the flooding in Haliburton County will not be receiving much relief from their insurance coverage.

Damage caused by overland flooding is not protected under home insurance policies anywhere in Canada, according to the Insurance Bureau of Canada.

While coverage is available for flooding caused by plumbing, pipes bursting and sewer backup, most homeowners are not at risk for overland flooding, making the coverage unaffordable, according to a media release from IBC.

The same applies to businesses, said Helen Lialias, media relations officer for the bureau.

"Because it's a small risk, for a small percentage of the population," said Lialias on why it's not included. "Not many people live beside a flood plain or close to rivers or lakes so if it were to be offered it would be extremely unaffordable for many homeowners."

The bureau encourages homeowners to take as many preventative measures as possible to protect their homes and belongings. Content insurance does not cover flood losses either, according to the IBC.

"It is not available under any policy," said

Glenn Hall, president of Floyd Hall Limited Insurance Brokers in Minden. "In some circumstances where it's a sewer back-up or a sump-pump malfunction, then the insurance companies are trying their hardest to cover it under that coverage."

Water damage due to a sewer backup is covered if specific coverage has been purchased, according to the bureau.

"But that's not mandatory on your policy, it's an add-on, so you have to make sure you review that with your insurance representative," said Lialias. "Everyone's situation is going to be different and each policy is going to be different as well."

Hall said insurance companies try their best to cover what they can under the sewer/sump-pump coverage. He recommends those affected by the current flood situation in Minden call their insurance broker and explain the circumstances.

"We'll send out an adjuster and have a look around," he said. "We're reporting all claims to the insurance company regardless of situation to see if there's any way coverage can be provided."

Damage to vehicles from water is typically covered, however owners should check with their auto insurance policy. Those who are seeking insurance information can contact the bureau at 1-800-387-2880 or their own insurance company.





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Date: Thurs. May 9th, 2013 - 7:30 - 9:30 Location: The Dominion Hotel, Minden - Cost: \$15.00 **AGENDA**

1). **Speaker:** Roger Chong, All Green Ink Topic: Hidden office expenses that are costing you \$\$\$ Dollars are tight, so join us to hear about simple steps you can take to make your office more efficient and less costly.

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2). Discussion: Businesses Supporting Businesses Affected by the Flooding - what can we do?

RSVP by Wed. May 8th to: 705-457-4700 Kendra@haliburtonchamber.com

JUNE Chamber A.M. Breakfast with the Warden

Date: Wed. June 5, 2013 - 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$35.00 /member - \$45.00 /non member Location: Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, Stanhope R.S.V.P. to Kendra@haliburtonchamber.com; Please 705-457-4700

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Disaster relief funding available for Minden

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Minden Hills councillors were educated on how applying for relief funding and conducting fundraising related to the ongoing flood will work during their April 25 council meet-

Stephen Sellar of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing was at the community centre to explain how the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP) works.

It is not a substitute for insurance, Sellar was careful to clarify.

Minden Hills township has 14 business days since it declared a state of emergency -April 20 – to pass a resolution to apply to the program.

The program has two portions - a public portion and private portion.

"In a nutshell, the public portion of ODRAP covers municipal costs," Sellar said, adding these include overtime pay, supplies, emergency response, clean up and infrastructure $repair, public\ health\ and\ \bar{s} a fety\ measures\ etc.$

"It is council who has to make the request to the province [for both public and private streams]. Emergency response in Canada is very much a bottom-up process.'

The township can be reimbursed for up to

100 per cent of its costs, but is not guaranteed such.

Final payments will be based on actual, eligible costs, Sellar said.

In its application to the program, the township must include a preliminary estimate of total damages.

Sellar said since it was a preliminary estimate, there was room for this number to change.

Council must also physically define the dis-

There is no flexibility there.

"Be careful how you define that," Sellar

While the most devastating flooding effects have been in Minden proper, Irondale also saw damage as the result of the Irondale River flooding its banks last weekend.

Sellar said he would be in consultation with Minden Hills staff about the best method of ensuring that Irondale is included in the disaster area.

The private portion of ODRAP is for individual homeowners, small business owners, farmers and non-profits. It can cover up to 90 per cent of costs and is for essential property

This means structural damage to principal residences, as well as basic furniture and appliances.

It does not cover outbuildings of any sort or landscaping of any sort, including retain-

It does not cover cottages, as they are not primary residences.

It may take a number of months for people to actually receive money.

Reeve Barb Reid wondered if an entire home was written off, if that would fall under program guidelines.

"I believe so," Sellar said. "It does cover the

The private portion of the program is administered locally.

'Local fundraising is an essential part of this program," Sellar said, explaining that council must set up a disaster relief commit-

The volunteer committee is appointed by council, but may not include councillors or

Once established, it becomes its own

The DRC must contain a minimum of five individuals and Sellar recommended they be "mover and shaker" types, people with proven fundraising and promotional experi-

The province will pay for the cost of a program manager to assist the DRC with day-today operations.

It is the DRC that will oversee official fundraising for flood relief and the province can match funds raised up to a ratio of two to one, although this is not guaranteed.

The last time he went through the process, the community's DRC reached 60 per cent of its fundraising goal and did receive two-toone funding from the province.

"Claimants got roughly 60 cents on the dollar at the end of the day," Sellar said.

The DRC is responsible for monitoring private claims and once established, may exist for some time.

Minden Hills chief administrative officer Nancy Wright-Laking, who was clerk for the City of Peterborough when it underwent a massive flood in 2004, said its DRC existed for four years.

Sellar advised that Minden Hills establish a DRC as soon as possible.

Wright-Laking brought up the fact that a number of citizen fundraising groups have been popping up on Facebook.

It was Sellar's advice that those who wish to donate wait for the mechanism established by the township, or give donations directly to the Township of Minden Hills.

It's advantageous for the township to wait until towards the end of the application period to apply, so that officials will have a better idea of damage.

Minden Hills establishes trust fund for flood damage

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Minden Hills township has set up a trust fund to help victims of the severe flooding that started on the Gull River last week.

On April 25, councillors heard a presentation from the province about how the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program works.

The township will be organizing fundrais-

ing for the program's private portion - that's for homeowners, business owners - and the province is advising that anyone wishing to help flood victims make financial donations directly to the township.

The township can receive up to double what it raises from the province.

Donations should be made to:

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Moving forward, fundraising efforts will be handled by a disaster relief committee appointed by council.

It must consist of at least five members who are neither councillors of the township or claimants of the program.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid has said a special meeting of council will likely be called to appoint the committee.

A fundraising planning meeting has been organized by four prominent members of the community - Jeanne Anthon, Lynda Litwin, Jack Brezina, Shawn Chamberlin - for the Minden Legion on May 6.

"As it will take some time to get the relief committee together, the efforts of this group to co-ordinate those that want to start the effort would probably be beneficial," Minden Hills chief administrative officer Nancy Wright-Laking wrote in an email to the *Times*.

Township waives fees for flood victim



Landfill and building permit charges will be lifted for those affected

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Minden Hills will be waiving two sets of municipal fees for flood victims.

Councillors agreed at their April 25 meeting that landfill and building permit fees would be lifted for township residents affected by the flooding that began

Landfill fees for garbage, constuction waste and brush were waived starting at 7 a.m. on Friday, April 26, and will remain

suspended for at least three weeks.

"If necessary, could that be extended?" Reeve Barb Reid asked property and environmental operations manager Ivan Ingram.

Ingram said after the initial three-week period, he would assess the situation on a weekly basis.

Similarly, building permits will be waived for property owners affected by

Thursday's meeting was relocated to the Minden Hills community centre.

Chad Ingram Staff

Minden Hills councillors agreed to waive landfill and building permit fees for flood victims during their April 25 meeting.



The show must go on in Minden

Jereyln Craden

Special to the Times

The recent flood caused Minden's main street to close to traffic on Saturday, April 27, but it didn't stop over 100 blues fans from packing the Dominion Hotel to hear The Joint Chiefs of Soul, Lance Anderson and Mike Sloski with local guest guitarist, Stan Russell bring much-needed musical flood relief.

Ottawa-born Anderson, the multi Juno award winning and platinum music producer of the CD Leahy (The Leahy Family), and Hammond B3 organ virtuoso, got hands clapping and spirits soaring with rich bluesy instrumentals, vocals, and colourful anecdotes. Patter was peppered with musical lead-ins such as: "This next song is in the key of astonishment."

"I've been dragging my 1958 Hammond B all over the country for over 60 years," he said, along with large wooden speakers that accompany it. "We don't have a bass player because I play the bass pedals with my feet. I don't wear shoes when I play, so my wife insists that I wear nice socks." "Kicking the pedals", as he calls it, requires incredible coordination as he dances on the pedals while playing the multi-level keyboard.

Sloski's masterful drumming sparked whistles and yells reflecting his musical history with legendary artists Etta James, Martha Reeves, Ben E. King, John Baldry and Dusty Springfield and recording and extensive touring with Bruce Cockburn and Mary Margaret O'Hara. A quick wit, Sloski's humourous remarks provoked much laughter as Anderson's answer to David Letterman's Paul Schaefer.

Local guest artist, Stan Russell's soulful guitar riffs on You Don't Know the Shape I'm In and other gospel inspired tunes added exquisite texture to the evening's musical tapestry which generated enthusiastic applause.

Anderson was nine years old when his father took him to the National Arts Centre in Ottawa to hear Ray Charles. "He sang the church song Hallelujah I Just Love Her So, which he put secular lyrics to and brought the house down." The Joint Chiefs of Soul performed their own rendition of the song to wall-buckling applause.

"The blues is full of life-affirming songs," Anderson said, "music that came from people oppressed for 400 years. triumph over adversity." This clearly spoke to the present challenge of Haliburton County flood victims.

Saxophonist and Highlands cottager, Stu Elliot, member of the band, Dark Angel, added further colour to set two.

George Farrell (George Farrell Productions) and Shawn Chamberlin, (owner of the Dominion Hotel) presented the evening as part of their continuing Canadian Blues Legends series and were thrilled with the energy and excitement in the room and tremendous turnout. Chamberlain passed a hat for a free-will offering for the trust fund for flood victims. Anderson donated a CD for every person who donated \$20 or more. \$725 was raised.

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Lance Anderson on a Hammond B3 organ at the blues night at **Dominion Hotel in Minden** on April 27.

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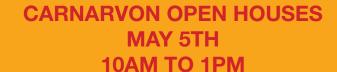
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Minden Hills hires new deputy-clerk

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Minden Hills councillors appointed the township's new deputy-clerk at their April 25 meeting.

Michael De Rond will join the staff in May.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid explained that De Rond has a master's degree in public administration from the University of Western Ontario. De Rond replaces Laura Cunliffe, who was dismissed in late February, she said without cause.

Cunliffe is the partner of former reeve Jim McMahon and

was the second senior staff member, along with former CAO Gerry Morrison, to be terminated during Reid's tenburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton, will be begin alternating back and forth between Haliburton and Minden.

Organizer Aggie Tose told councillors she'd be honoured to have the event take place at the Minden fairgrounds every other year.

Councillors unanimously agreed, after watching a video

Relay for Life coming to Minden

The local Canadian Cancer Society fundraiser Relay for Life, which has traditionally been held at the track at Hali-



Fire and flood

Minden Hills firefighter responded to a house fire on Hamilton Road, near South Lake, during the weekend. The extent of damage is not known at this time.

Gord Barter Special to the Times



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Tim Tofflemire Special to the Times On April 25 Lochlin United Church presented Shout Sisters in concert at 1050 Lochlin Road, off Gelert Road. Admission was by donation in support of the church.

NOTICE

With the recent flooding situation in the town of Minden, if you live in town and did not receive your copy of this week's Minden Times, please stop into the Minden Times office and pick up your copy.

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Integration continues forward

Jenn Watt

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 25 meeting of Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.

Nothing has been ruled out and nothing has been decided on to how health-care services will be delivered in Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes. HHHS continues to discuss the Central East LHIN-mandated integration process, which is now focusing on the organizational models available. While the LHIN (Local Health Integration Network) has requested the process take place, CEO Varouj Eskedjian said the regional health governance body hasn't told Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes what the integration must look like.

'We have thoroughly reviewed them [the models]," Eskedjian reported to the board.

Models up for discussion include everything from melding services into one corporation across Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County to keeping the status quo. Each model will be looked at to see how it affects the region through a variety of lenses including economics, feasibility, the way it changes fundraising and governance. In Durham, the integration process has centralized service delivery in several categories. For example, hospice services provided previously by both Durham Hospice and VON are being integrated, as are dining services and volunteer visiting services, the CEO said.

The local integration team is now narrowing its focus to the best three or four models and will conduct a literature review of those options.

Palliative care pilot project completed

Evaluation of the one-year palliative care pilot project

involving SIRCH hospice services and HHHS's palliative care suite has returned overwhelmingly positive results. Eskedjian told the board that staff, volunteers, physicians and families using the service had been surveyed on their experience with the program, which brings together hospital facilities and hospice care for the first time in Haliburton.

The CEO said almost all of the feedback was positive about the service, which is partially funded by the CE LHIN.

For this year, the CE LHIN will continue funding the palliative program with one-time funding, however, Eskedjian said this money was likely to become permanent in the future.

"It wouldn't surprise me if the one-time dollars turned into base dollars," he said.

Other recommendations from the evaluation include more training of staff and volunteers before more beds are opened at the hospital, creating an admissions committee and creating an advisory committee.

CBC rating questioned

The D rating given to HHHS for its nursing-related adverse events by CBC TV's Rate My Hospital website does not reflect reality, Eskedjian told the board. The website allows users to search any Canadian hospital to see how they compare on a series of health-care quality indicators. According to Eskedjian, what the CBC didn't take into account was the longterm care component of HHHS, which made comparing local stats to other hospitals like comparing the proverbial "apples to oranges."

Because they had rolled our long-term care statistics into our hospital ones, it really distorted that rating," said Esked-

Nursing-related adverse events include urinary tract infections, bedsores, pneumonia and broken bones. HHHS's score included patients at Hyland Crest in Minden and Highland Wood in Haliburton, whereas other small-sized hospitals that HHHS was compared to wouldn't necessarily have a long-term care population.

CBC was looking at long-term care results, but was comparing the corporation to other hospitals, Debbie Watson, chief nursing officer, said

"If you were then to take that data and look at the indicators in a long-term care setting, our long-term care facilities ... do a wonderful job, but they're being compared to a hospital," Watson said.

Eskedjian did not speak to the CBC when they called to create the series on hospitals, because he was so new to the job and busy with other things. He said if the reports become an annual event, he would participate next year. HHHS received an A in the readmission indicator and the other indicators were not filled out at all.

"Given that there's only two things reported, a D and an A, the D kind of draws attention to itself," said board member Ieff Gollob.

Eskedjian pointed out that another part of the site allows users of the hospital to rate their experiences and that those ratings were quite good.

Ministry of Labour inspection

Two orders were issued to HHHS following a surprise visit from the Ministry of Labour March 25. HHHS had not "assessed risk of workplace violence for workers who have to travel away from hospital while working (ex. supportive housing and community mental health staff)," a slide prepared for the board meeting by Eskedjian reads.

The corporation also had not reviewed its written measures and procedures on residents with behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia since September of 2011.

The CEO told the board that those procedures had been reviewed, but not documented.

"We're now in compliance," Eskedjian said.

No incidents of workplace harassment have been reported at HHHS in the last five years.

County denies side-by-side request

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

County councillors denied a request from the Haliburton ATV Association to allow side-by-side ATVs on the Haliburton County Rail Trail for three days during a May event the association is hosting.

The Deep Woods Safari will be based out of the Minden fairgrounds and will take place during the May long weekend.

"We expect a small percentage of the entrants may be bringing side-by-side off road machines," HATVA director Ron Cook wrote in a letter to the county. "While I don't expect many of the overall rider numbers will choose to ride the Rail Trail...I would like to ask to allow the side by sides on the Rail Trail for these three days only. Granting exemption for this I assume would be similar to allowing the motorcycles for the annual Enduro event."

Neither side-by-side ATVS nor Enduro bikes are permitted

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on the Rail Trail, although the county makes an exception for the decades-old Cordurov Enduro event each fall.

'There's some confusion, I think, in the eyes of the public, that you're showing favouritism," roads director Doug Ray told councillors

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen thought allowing side-by-sides would be a slippery slope and said she couldn't support the request.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, who has advocated for sideby-sides on the Rail Trail in the past, wanted it to go through.

"These folks are trying to build a significant event for Minden," Reid said, adding that she understood side-by-sides to be one the biggest-selling forms of recreational vehicle.

"I would like to see us grant permission for this event only." Algonquin Highlands Reeve and County Warden Carol Moffatt said she could see both sides, adding though that, "once something's in, it's in."

In the end, councillors went with the staff recommendation and turned down the request.

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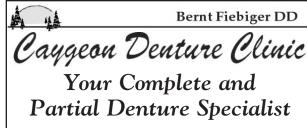
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County to help fund 2014 Pond Hockey Championships

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Haliburton County will be contributing \$10,000 to bring the Canadian Pond Hockey Championships back to Haliburton in 2014. Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey put the request to his colleagues on county council at its April 24 meeting.

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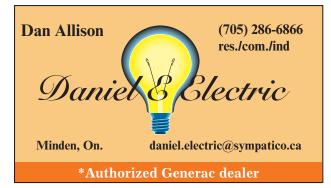


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come back to Haliburton," Fearrey said.

The 2013 championships were held on Head Lake and at the pond at the Pinestone Jan. 25 to 27 after the opportunity to host the event, traditionally held at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville, came up suddenly through community movershaker John Teljeur. Council granted a contribution of \$10,000 despite being into its budgeting process. Fearrey said the county's contribution may be matched by \$10,000 from the Haliburton County Development Corporation and J-Core Marketing, the company that runs the event, will be contributing \$10,000

There were hundreds of participants at the January tournament, although some village business owners said they saw less spin-off than they expected.

"If we don't support it at this time now, I think it will go somewhere else," Fearrey said.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve and County Warden Carol Moffatt said she supported the event, but was becoming concerned at the lack of process there seemed to be around the county's funding of it.

"Given the way Councillor Fearrey has framed it, hopefully by the end of the year, it will be self-sufficient," said Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid.

Moffatt noted she thought it was supposed to become selfsufficient after the 2013 tournament.

Council granted the request.

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Highlands Cinemas reopens Friday



Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Saturday found us in Campbellford to attend the funeral service for our younger daughter Caitlin's partner's father. It was a full house with family, friends and neighbours celebrating his life in keeping with his relaxed personal style. We had never met Vince but the pictures spoke well of a journey too short but fully lived. This morning the media announced the 2013 winners of the 10 best restaurants in the world with Spain topping the chart. While the Ming Star in Campbellford was not a winner the luncheon buffet selection was ample. Best of all were the fortune cookies. Mine said "throughout the year you will be lucky for about 53 weeks" and Bruce's "all your problems will be solved". With those projections it's worth running the lucky numbers also on the slip for the 6/49.

On Sunday duty at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace porch sitting was on the agenda with the constant stream of traffic on C.R. 45 West hopefully an indicator of the seasonal residents returning. Catching up with current technology along with its website www.kinmountartisans.ca thanks to Lynne Kilby's efforts the Marketplace is now on Facebook so please visit and have a chance to win a gift certificate. Again this year the Summer Draw will begin on the Victoria Day

weekend with a free entry when a minimal purchase of \$10 is made.

Kinmount's famous Highlands Cinemas will open its season this Friday, May 3 with Iron Man 3 [PG] starring Robert Downey Jr. for one showing nightly at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. All five theatres have now been converted to digital technology and changes have also been made to Memory Lane. For details on upcoming films, ticket prices and the poster collection sale go to the website www. highlandscinemas.com , call the hotline at 705-488-2107.or office at 705-488-2199. Keith Stata and staff have gone to an enormous amount of work and expense to keep this iconic theatre open and deserve the support of area residents both permanent and seasonal by purchasing their tickets for an amazing selection of first run films over the summer.

Thank you Keith.

Again this year there will be a rabies clinic at the Galway Fire Hall adjacent to the Galway Hall, 579 Galway Road on Saturday, May 11 from noon to 2 p.m. The clinic is jointly sponsored by the Galway and Area Ratepayers Association Inc. and the Galway Hall Board with veterinarians attending from the Peterborough Veterinary Clinic. The cost is \$20 for each animal so please take this opportunity to give your pet friends the protection they deserve.

Kinmount's annual Pitch in Day is set for this Saturday, May 4 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Meet at the Railway Station for that 10 a.m. start to pick up supplies and your assignment area then help make our town litter free. There will be prizes and

refreshments to follow and this is a good opportunity for students needing to complete their community service hours. On that same day the 1 Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders will hold a Cookie Blitz downtown. Shop there for a supply of delicious Girl Guide Cookies which are also available at the Kinvale Restaurant, Austin Lumber or by calling 705-488-2919. My generation will remember those delicacies as a plain butter three leaf clover cookie with many changes over the years to today's delicious offerings. Once again the Girl Guides of Canada is offering free membership to girls who join through the months of April, May or June. For more informative give Lynne a call at 705-488-2919 but please note that at the Kinmount unit no girl has been excluded from joining because of financial concerns. The group meets at the Kinmount Community Centre on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8 n m

Mark your calendars now for the giant garage sale by the "Tai-Chi-a-Pets" team on Saturday, May 25 [rain date June 1] from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a fundraiser for this non-profit group to support its participation in the Relay for Life event in Haliburton on June 14. The sale will be held on the sidewalk area in front of the former pharmacy location on Kinmount's Main Street between Christine's Hairstyling and the Fish & Chip outlet. From all reports there will be something for everyone with jewelry, books, music items, small appliances, home décor and much more on the table.

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They come to enjoy what we take for granted year round. However, this year is slightly different with Minden experiencing this latest challenge. We are all praying for things to get back to normal fairly soon but these things do take time. With this in mind please remember stores are open for busi-

ness and they will welcome you. It's definitely trickier to find a parking spot, but it can be done. Those that live in Toronto won't see this as much of a problem. It might also require stepping over a sandbag – we've done worse! This is a time, more than ever, for us to support local business.

We live in a very beautiful area and it's only a matter of time before this will become just a memory and Minden will again be the charming town that we all know and love.

My Ma hasn't had to step over any sandbags but she faced an obstacle last week that frightened her. She was walking on a sidewalk near her condo and came across a drake that was protecting his nest. He did not want her to pass and created a fuss. Not knowing my Ma the way I do I think he should have been the one to be nervous. Obviously he hasn't heard of "mystery meat" ... anybody who has eaten at Ma's table knows that anything is fair "game." Have a great week!

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND/OR CLAIMANTS

All persons having claims against the Estate of KENNETH WILLIAM DROUILLARD, late of the City of Kawartha Lakes, in the Province of Ontario, deceased, who died on or about the 14th day of January, 2013, are required to file the same with the undersigned solicitors on or before the 23rd day of May, 2013, after which date the assets may be distributed among those persons entitled thereto, having regard only to those claims which have been filed.

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Special Meeting of County Council

The Council of the County of Haliburton wishes to provide PUBLIC NOTICE that they will convene a Special meeting of Haliburton County Council at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 8, 2013, for purposes of discussing a Site Plan agreement with regard to the proposed Tim Horton's on County Road 21. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the County Council Chambers located at 11 Newcastle Street in Minden. For further information please contact:

Jim Wilson, CAO/County Clerk County of Haliburton

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Township of Algonquin Highlands
Municipal Cultural Plan

A Public Meeting will be held to present the draft Municipal Cultural Plan on

Thursday, May 2, 2013

at 9:00 a.m.

during the regularly scheduled Council Meeting at the address noted below.

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Members of the public are invited to attend the presentation to provide additional comments, or go to the website to provide comments in writing.

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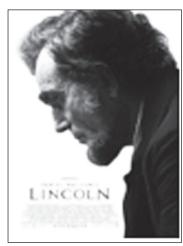
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Members are reminded that the annual general meeting of Branch 636 Minden is being held on Wednesday, May 1 starting at 7:30 p.m. The Ladies' Auxiliary is holding their annual general meeting on Wednesday May 8 starting at 7 p.m. Elections will be held and members are encouraged to attend.

Thanks to the Highlands Trio who entertained at Branch 636 on Saturday, April 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. Thanks also to Lois, Mike, Donna and others who assisted with the food service.

Remember that on Thursdays we have ladies darts in the afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. and euchre at 7:30 p.m. On Fridays, we serve our wonderful fish and chip lunches and dinners and darts is held starting at 7:30 p.m. The club room is open on Saturdays and Sundays and we have been watching hockey, golf, baseball and NAS-CAR. Cribbage is on Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m. Big bucks euchre is the held on Sunday, May 5 starting at 12 p.m. The Rug Hookers are meeting on May 6 and 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The final art class until after Labour Day will be on May 14. Come on out to visit us at the Minden Legion!



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March- April 24: Complete tax returns for seniors and veterans located at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 at 12847 - 35 Highway in Minden every Wednesday from 10 am to 12 noon. This program is coordinated with Canada Revenue Agency through the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program.

Haliburton Soccer mail in Registration for children 4+ and Adult summer and pick up soccer still available. For more information please call 705-457-9303 after 6pm or visit http://www.halsoccer.org/

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April 30: HALIBURTON: 'Meet the Dietitian', 10 am to noon, located at the Ontario Early Years Centre (83 Maple Ave., Halco Plaza, lower level. Come talk to a Dietitian about feeding your family. Find out more about introducing solids, picky eaters, family feeding and mealtime routines. Call (705) 457-1391 or 1-866-888-4577, ext. 233, for more information.

May 2: Harvest Haliburton in partnership with HCDC, Sustain Ontario & Powerline Film Production has produced 3 videos about the county's emerging sustainable food movement. Premiere at Northern Lights Pavilion. 5:30 for booths & finger food; videos 6:30 to 8:00.

May 3: Icebreaker TEE Registration at the Haliburton Curling Club at 7:00 pm. New Golfers Welcome! For more information see our ad in the Haliburton Echo or Minden Times or call Lynne at 705-887-4230

May 18: Gooderham United Church Yard Sale: from 8a.m. – 3p.m. Donated items accepted, however we no longer accept large appliance, cribs or mattresses. Light refreshments available. For more info pleas call June at 705-477-2838

May 18: Pie Sale - Ingoldsby United Church - 1741 Ingoldsby Road, Minden - beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Rec centre becomes cozy living room



Melissa Alfano

Dorset News

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A big thank you goes out to all the volunteers, sponsors and participants for the 10th annual Evening of Wine, Words, Music and Art. Everyone had a great time – the art, music, wine and readings were thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. It's always amazing how volunteers transform the Dorset Recreation Centre into a cozy living room. Although ticket sales were down due to competition with opening night of Guys and Dolls in Huntsville, fog, declarations of states of emergency in local communities due to flooding – the Dorset Recreation Centre Committee has decided to keep the event going and are looking forward to the 11th annual event in 2014. Be sure to listen to Jack Brezina's Arts Week on 100.9 Canoe FM on Monday and Thursday nights for a broadcast of this year's event. Check out the Canoe FM website for details.

The new children's library is up by the Paint Lake covered bridge close to the adult one on the walking trail. It is a great replica of a barn built by the master builder Ron Doyle. The rules for this little children's library are simple. Bring a book and/or take a book. Children's books are always needed so please feel free to donate your children's books to this new little library. There are also some children's VHS tapes in case someone still uses the older technology.

The adult little library by the bridge (1180 Paint Lake Road) is in for some repairs and has not been stolen! It should be back soon. If spring comes soon, little library

volunteers Joanne and Peter Kourtz will get the Christmas decorations down. No one can pull them out at the moment as they are frozen in the boxes; pansies are on hold. They laughed at Joanne when she asked when they would be in at the Dwight garden centre.

This news comes from Joanne Kourtz, who thinks summer will be here before spring!

Do you want to boost your nutrition intake and eat healthier? Fresh organic locally grown sprouts and micro greens are delivered weekly after 3:30 p.m. every Wednesday to the Dorset Recreation Centre. You are invited to participate in this CSA (community supported agriculture) program. Four Seasons Greens will be delivering sprout and micro-green orders to the Dorset Recreation Centre every Wednesday. To find out more, email fourseasonsgreens@cogeco.ca or call 705-405-0449.

The next Dorset Ladies Night takes place on Tuesday, May 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. The theme is "Movie Night." Organizer Lorraine Cyopick has two movies to choose from. The first is Sparkle with Whitney Houston, and the second is Hope Springs with Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones. There will be popcorn, goodies, pop and juice. The price for the evening is \$5, so get comfy and prepare to relax among friends. Please email or call the rec centre so Lorraine has an idea of how many goodies to get and be sure to let her know which movie you prefer. All are welcome – the more the merrier! Email recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968.

There will be a foot clinic at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, May 8 with registered nurse Fran Gower. To find out more or to make an appointment, call Joy at 705-766-1418. Appointments are required.

Birthday wishes for April 28 to May 4 go out to McKenzie Drinkwater, Craig Woods and Shallon Dukoff! Give me

a call or drop me a line to send special wishes to your loved ones. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun and celebrate your special day!

If you have items for the Dorset News, please send them to my home email address: malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at home at 705-766-0076.

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Drew Bishop 457-2128 x 23



- . Flat large lot facing south • 125 ft frontage with lakeside deck and dock 1570 sf, 2 bedroom year round cottage
- . Finished basement could have 3rd bdrm Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968



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 - Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26



- 2400 s.f. Royal home built 1997 with 5 bdrms 103 ft facing southeast clean shoreline Lots of room for large family
 Open concept main floor with walkout to deck

Lee Gauthier 489-9968



- - Original hardwood floors
 - Many recent renovations
 - Big back yard
 Walk to all amenities

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28



- - 254 ft. frontage, well treed, great privacy
 - . Gently sloping lot, miles of boating · Super location, minutes to town
 - Old log cottage with lots of charm



- · Large basement with own entrance
- Ideal location walk to everything!
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Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29



- Spotless 3 BR cottage on prestigious 3 Lake Chain Gently sloping lot, clean rock shoreline, big lake view Upgraded kitchen, bath, roof, winter water system . Easy access to GTA, minutes to Minden village
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Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23



- · Large open concept 4 season cottage · Level well treed lot with sunset views
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. Fireplace, large deck with 2 w/o's David Lee 286-2138 x 27



- Located between Minden and Haliburtor
- . Year round municipal road. Private treed lot with good building sites

. Driveway in, hydro/phone service at lot Gary Moffatt 457-2128 x 36



- Beautiful 3 bedroom home
- Level private lot with 875 feet of frontage Large garage with 2 carports



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- Custom Kitchen, Liv Rm w/Fireplace · 2 Car Garage w/Full loft above

12 acres, pond, rock outcroppings

. 1.76 acres with a big lake view

· Huge stone f/p, recently renovated kitchen

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Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52



- Immaculate 2 bdrm bung. • Family rm, custom firepl, gar
- Deck, breezeway, Irg yard with shed · Walk to shopping, hospital & library Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31

OPEN HOUSE

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Wilfred VanLieshout 457-2128 x 27



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- 300 ft frntg w/ NW exposure on 1.45 acres
- . Eat-in kitchen with view of the lake

 3 bedrooms plus a loft with 3 stunning baths Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28



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- Main floor laundry, bright sunroom
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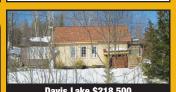




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